

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

09/806,639

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 11-30-04.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 32,34-36,38-41,45,47-49 and 51-53.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 21 May 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☒ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date 1-13-05 & 11-19-04
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with William Valence on 4-7-05.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 33, line 4, delete "an organic polymer" and replace with "hydroxypropylmethyl cellulose"

In claim 36, line 3, after the word "embedding" insert "a mixture of" and delete "one or more"

In claim 36, line 4, after the word "testosterone" replace the word "ester" with the word "undecanoate" and after "in" replace "organic polymer" with "hydroxypropylmethyl cellulose"

In claim 36, line 9, replace "an organic polymer" with "hydroxypropylmethyl cellulose"

In claim 36, line 10, delete "one or more" and insert "undecanoate" after the word "testosterone"

Claim 36, line 11, after the word solvent, delete "; and wherein said one or more testosterone ester comprises a respective carboxylic acid radical with from 1 to 20 carbon atoms"

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In claim 45, line 4, replace "an organic polymer" with "hydroxypropylmethyl cellulose"

In claim 49, line 3 after the word "embedding" insert "a mixture of" and delete "one or more"

In claim 49, line 4, after the word "testosterone" replace the word "ester" with the word "undecanoate" and after "in" replace "an organic polymer" with "hydroxypropylmethyl cellulose"

In claim 49, line 9, replace "organic polymer" with "hydroxypropylmethyl cellulose"

In claim 49, line 10, delete "one or more" and insert "undecanoate" after the word "testosterone"

Claim 49, line 11, after the word solvent, delete "; and wherein said one or more testosterone ester comprises a respective carboxylic acid radical with from 1 to 20 carbon atoms"


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